

October 25, 2002

Ref: 2166-19503

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Post Office Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9275

Re: Hearing Application
Unit Tract Equity Redetermination
Erath Field
Vermilion Parish, Louisiana
Applicant: Erath Field Unit Operating Committee

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

Application is hereby made according to the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, on behalf of the Erath Unit Operating Committee, for the calling of a public hearing after ten (10) day legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order approving tract equities based on current recalculations.

Recalculation of unit equities has been necessitated by geological and engineering data developed since the issuance of Office of Conservation Order No. 34-5, effective February 2, 1982.

At the hearing Hilcorp Energy Company will present its findings and explain the formulas used in making the recalculations.

Members of the Erath Unit Operating Committee have unanimously approved and recommend adoption of the adjusted Erath Unit Tract Equities.

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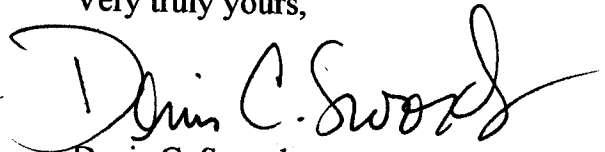
Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners and represented parties who are being furnished with copies of this hearing application. This list includes the names and addresses of all interested parties who are known to the applicant after a reasonable search. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties, and interested parties.

A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this hearing application. Should any such party desire a copy of this list we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. Denis C. Swords, 625 E. Kaliste Saloom Rd., Suite 301, Lafayette, Louisiana, 70508, (337) 237-0132.

Finally, I have enclosed our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$700.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,


Denis C. Swords

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Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson, District Manager
Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners,
Represented Parties and Interested Parties